

***Celebrating California's Juvenile Court Centennial Conference  
December 4-6, 2003***

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***THURSDAY, December 4, 2003***

**WORKSHOPS**

Some workshops may reach capacity; to ensure your attendance at a workshop plan on arriving early. If seating is not available, you will need to attend an alternative workshop.

- ❖ May be used to fulfill the domestic violence instruction requirements under rule 5.230.
- ☀ May be used to fulfill the training requirements for child custody evaluators under rule 5.225.
- ✱ May be used to fulfill the domestic violence instruction requirements for attorneys under Welfare and Institutions Code section 218.5.

***10:30–Noon Workshop Session I***

***I-A Meeting the Civil Legal Services Needs of Delinquency Clients***

This workshop will discuss how to meet the civil legal services needs of delinquency clients. We will review legal issues that can impact delinquency cases, such as education, immigration, mental health, and abuse and neglect. We will then discuss different models for providing these services such as in-house attorneys, volunteers, law students, and fellowships. Finally, we will review the services offered by the Pacific Juvenile Defender Center to assist juvenile defenders in providing civil legal services to their clients.

***Ms. Patricia E. Lee, Deputy Public Defender, Juvenile Division, San Francisco Public Defender's Office***

***Hon. Michael Nash, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles***

***Ms. Abigail Trillin, Managing Attorney, Legal Services for Children, San Francisco***

***I-B Children's Immigration Rights: Special Immigrant Juvenile Status  
and Other Immigration Benefits***



Each year hundreds of immigrant children suffer from abuse, neglect, abandonment, and other forms of domestic violence or are victimized by human trafficking and criminal activity. Find out how you can help this extremely vulnerable population obtain protection and immigration status in the U.S.

***Mr. Gregory Chen, Staff Attorney, Legal Services for Children, San Francisco***

***Ms. Judy London, Directing Attorney, Immigrants' Rights Division, Public Counsel Law Center, Los Angeles***

***Ms. Aman Thind, Staff Attorney, Legal Services for Children, San Francisco***

***I-C Educational Rights of Children in Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare: What Should Happen While They're in the System, What Isn't Happening, and What Is Needed to Help Them Succeed When They Leave the System?***

This session will provide an overview of laws and regulations governing educational services and systemic responsibilities for children in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. The results of focus groups with young people who have gone through the

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system will be presented, including discussion of successes and failures in providing educational services, and barriers these youth encounter in completing their secondary education and going on to college or meaningful employment. The session will offer policy recommendations for improvement of educational services to this vulnerable population of young people.

*Ms. Sue Burrell, Staff Attorney, Youth Law Center, San Francisco*

*Ms. Alice Bussiere, Staff Attorney, Youth Law Center, San Francisco*

### ***I-D Juvenile Competence: Can Immaturity Alone Make an Adolescent Incompetent to Stand Trial?***

In the past decade, there has been a dramatic change in the way this country deals with young offenders. Growing numbers of children—and children of much younger ages—are being tried as adults in criminal court. This workshop will discuss the competence of young people to participate in the legal process. It will review the findings of the MacArthur Juvenile Competence Study and address the study's implications for policy and practice.

*Dr. Thomas Grisso, Program Coordinator, Law-Psychiatry Program, University of Massachusetts Medical School*

*Mr. Robert Schwartz, Executive Director, Juvenile Law Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

### ***I-E Positive Alternatives Develop Responsible Youth***

The Students Targeted with Opportunities for Prevention program utilizes neighborhood school-site, wrap-around, and relationship-based services for youth ages 10–14 at greatest risk of entering the justice system. After four years of operation strong empirical data has been developed that pinpoint the specific prevention and early intervention services that most positively impact youth. The presentation team includes the author of the program, on-site case manager, and data collection analyst.

*Dr. Merle Canfield, Data Collection Analyst, Alliant University*

*Mr. Manuel Castro, On-Site Case Manager, Fresno County Probation Department*

*Mr. Philip Kader, Prevention Services Manager, Fresno County Probation Department*

### ***I-F CWS Redesign: Differential Response—What Is It?***

A redesign of the child welfare system will begin to be implemented in early 2004. This workshop will present some of the background of the redesign and specific elements of differential response.

*Hon. Patricia Bresee, Commissioner (Ret.), Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo*

*Dr. John Caffaro, California School of Professional Psychology, San Diego*

*Mr. George Chance, Program Manager, California Department of Social Services, Office of CWS Redesign Implementation*

*Dr. Pat Schene, Pat Schene and Associates, Littleton, Colorado*

*Ms. Jane Smithson, Attorney and Consultant, San Mateo County*

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### ***I-G Youth Tellin' It Like It Is: Youth Advocacy in Action!***

In California, current and former foster youth have become leaders in making some of the biggest positive changes in the foster care system. In the California Youth Connection (CYC), youth gain valuable advocacy and leadership skills to turn issues in their own experience in foster care and into action plans for advocacy. Come learn from CYC staff and members about CYC's policy topics for the upcoming year: Improving Education for Foster Youth, Higher Education Access, LGBTQ Foster Youth Issues, and Improving Social Worker Services. We will also spotlight CYC's current creative youth empowerment projects and show powerful youth-made Digital Stories.

***Ms. Jennifer Rodriguez***, Legislative and Policy Coordinator, California Youth Connection, San Francisco  
***Youth***, To be announced

### ***I-H Teen Dating Violence: Innovative Programs***



The presentation will examine the intersections between the juvenile justice system and adolescent relationship violence. The presenter will share experience from working with survivors and perpetrators of abuse in juvenile halls and camp correctional facilities. Risk factors and prevention strategies will be explored. The workshop will be facilitated through interactive discussions including educational materials.

Participants will leave the workshop with an understanding of the following: the interconnection between teen dating violence and the juvenile justice system; prostitution; gang activity; alcohol and drug use; other crimes; dating violence as a risk factor for girls in the juvenile justice system; strategies for addressing interpersonal dating violence for girls who are part of the system, and how coercive and abusive relationships complicate treatment and sentencing.

***Ms. Leah Aldridge***, Associate Director, Youth Violence Prevention, Policy & Training, Los Angeles Commission on Assaults Against Women

### ***I-I Problem-Solving/Collaborative Justice Courts: Do We Need Them? Can We Afford Them?***

It has been 20 years since the first generation of collaborative justice courts began with the peer court in Odessa, Texas in 1983. Currently, there are 248 collaborative justice courts in California, including youth/peer courts; juvenile, family, and dependency drug courts; juvenile violence and domestic violence courts; and juvenile mental health courts. They address high-workload, highly recidivist case types that continue to enter the court system in ever increasing numbers. These "specialized courts" use a team approach that integrates treatment and restorative justice elements with court supervision. The panelists will address the "next generation" questions: What do the evaluations say? Have these courts fulfilled their promise? Do they cost too much? Where do they "fit" in the larger juvenile court system? How do they complement, or not, other innovations, such as unified family courts, or the community-based court models of the Red Hook delinquency court in Brooklyn and the Harlem delinquency court?

***Moderator: Roger Warren***, Director, National Center for State Courts  
***Hon. Leonard P. Edwards***, Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara;  
*Immediate Past President, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges*

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**Hon. Jean Pfeiffer Leonard**, Presiding Judge, Juvenile Court, Superior Court of California, County of Riverside; Judicial Council Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee

**Mr. Alfred Siegel**, Deputy Director, Center for Court Innovation, New York City

### **I-J “Who’s Your Daddy?”**

This workshop discusses how paternity is established and disestablished in California, with its implications for juvenile court and family law practice. Proposed legislative changes are also discussed.

**Hon. Diana C. Baker**, Commissioner, Superior Court of California, County of Monterey

**Ms. Diane Bras**, Family Law Facilitator, Superior Court of California, County of Placer

**Hon. Scott P. Harman**, Referee, Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento

### **I-K Collaborative Juvenile Justice: The Courts, Probation, and Youth Authority**

A panel consisting of a juvenile court judge, a California Department of the Youth Authority intake specialist and a county probation representative will describe the history of the collaboration of all three entities to address the needs of juvenile offenders. In addition, the presenters will describe current efforts and future plans for strengthening the collaboration and improve treatment services for identified youth.

**Moderator: Hon. Dean Stout**, Presiding Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Inyo

**Mr. Tom Blay**, Intake and Court Services Consultant, California Department of the Youth Authority

**Hon. Kenneth G. Peterson**, Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento

**Ms. Norma Suzuki**, Executive Director, Chief Probation Officers of California

## **2:15–3:45 p.m. Workshop Session II**

### **II-A Exploration of Vexing Questions Facing Juvenile Court**

This interactive workshop will address the vexing questions facing the juvenile court. The panelists and audience will be involved in both asking and answering questions such as: Will jury trials and open court rooms improve process and resources? Can or should the juvenile court assume the responsibility of a community? When does the juvenile court cross the line between effective oversight and micromanagement of agencies?

**Moderator: Ms. Diane Nunn**, Director, AOC Center for Families, Children & the Courts

**Mr. L. Michael Clark**, Lead Deputy County Counsel, Office of the County Counsel, Santa Clara County; Judicial Council Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee

**Hon. Leonard P. Edwards**, Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara; Immediate Past President, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

**Mr. Kurt Kumli**, Supervising Deputy District Attorney, Santa Clara District Attorney’s Office; Judicial Council Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee

**Mr. Joe Spaeth**, Public Defender, Marin County

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### **II-B *Addiction and Treatment: How to Address Substance Abuse***



This is an “applied workshop” addressing, first, the fundamentals of substance abuse and, second, what courts, probation departments, and others in the delinquency system can do to ensure that appropriate substance abuse services (early intervention, treatment, and aftercare) are provided to children in the system.

*Ms. Jesse McGuinn, Deputy Director, Program Operations Division, California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs*

*Mr. Henry van Oudheusden, Executive Director Pacific Clinics Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, Pasadena*

### **II-C *Advocating for Your Clients in School Discipline Matters: An Overview of the Law on Suspension and Expulsion***

This workshop will provide information on how to advocate for clients in school discipline matters, such as expulsion. The workshop will provide an overview of the law and practical tips for representing students. There will be an emphasis on juvenile court clients.

*Moderator: Ms. Jane Kwon, Staff Attorney, Alliance for Children’s Rights, Los Angeles*

*Ms. Rosa Hirji, Staff Attorney, Public Counsel Law Center, Los Angeles*

*Ms. Kim McReynolds Bell, Staff Attorney, Mental Health Advocacy Services, Los Angeles*

*Ms. Abigail Trillin, Managing Attorney, Legal Services for Children, San Francisco*

### **II-D *The District Attorney’s Perspective on Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ)***

The mission of the Denver District Attorney’s Office is to professionally and competently prosecute crimes and investigate potential crimes and, in doing so, do justice, advocate for victim’s rights, and advise and consult in the deterrence and prevention of crime. Bill Ritter, Jr., the district attorney for Denver since 1993, has effectively combined aggressive prosecution with prevention and intervention initiatives. He has introduced a number of innovative programs to the Denver District Attorney’s Office, including Denver Drug Court, Victim Services 2000, Community Prosecution, Juvenile Diversion, and the Courtrooms to Classrooms program. Many of these programs serve as models for other judicial districts.

*Mr. Bill Ritter Jr., District Attorney, Second Judicial District, Denver, Colorado*

### **II-E *Putting Treatment Back Into the California Youth Authority***

Representatives from California Department of the Youth Authority will provide a historical overview of treatment in the Youth Authority. The department was treatment-focused during its formative years. The transition from schools for youthful offenders to youth correctional facilities led to a decline in treatment. A new focus on treatment in recent years has led to many changes. The workshop presenters will describe recent and planned changes in treatment services, including the prevalence of various forms of mental illness in the ward population, the screening process, the treatment placement process, and the plan to increase resources for all wards in the department.

*Dr. Kip Lowe, Deputy Director, California Department of the Youth Authority*

*Dr. Ben Templeton, Chief Psychiatrist, Health Care Services Division, California Department of the Youth Authority*

*Dr. Paul S. Woodward, Psy.D., Mental Health Program Administrator, California Department of the Youth Authority, Institutions and Camps Branch*

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### ***II-F CWS Redesign: Integration of Child Welfare Services With Alcohol and Drug Treatment Services and the Court System***

Several national reports over the past five years have documented the extent to which families entering the child welfare system and the family court are affected by substance abuse. Substance abuse affects both parenting and the development of children; an estimated 11 percent of all children live in families where one or more parents abuse alcohol or other drugs; an estimated 40 to 60 percent of children in the child welfare system are affected by substance abuse. Recommendations for integrating the child welfare system with alcohol and drug treatment services and the courts will be presented and discussed.

***Mr. George Chance***, Program Manager, California Department of Social Services, Office of CWS Redesign Implementation

***Mr. Sidney L. Gardner***, President, Children and Family Futures, Irvine

***Dr. Nancy K. Young***, Director, Children and Family Futures, Irvine

### ***II-G Permanency for Older Youth Through Child-Specific Recruitment***

Many older youth continue to seek permanent families. This workshop will explore strategies to find families, including youth involvement in their own recruitment activities, “file-specific” recruitment, and targeted recruitment efforts. Participants will also learn how to identify potential permanent parents for teens.

***Mr. Joe Kroll***, Executive Director, North American Council on Adoptable Children, St. Paul, Minnesota

### ***II-H Safe From the Start: Working to Change the Course of Criminal History***



The California Attorney General’s Safe From the Start project is a comprehensive strategy to assist service providers in local communities, including members of the judiciary, in reducing children’s exposure to violence. Recent scientific research shows these children are more likely to suffer increased depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress, anger, alcohol and drug abuse, and lower academic achievement. These are the children who later enter the criminal justice system as victims, witnesses, and offenders. A child’s early years are critically important for brain development, building a foundation for their future decision making. Intervening with children exposed to violence requires a collaborative approach to violence prevention and intervention. This approach requires that all service providers use their skills and expertise and work together to identify children at risk of exposure to violence, to prevent exposure when possible, and to intervene early and effectively. The Safe From the Start project can provide resources to help communities develop programs and strategies to ensure that children grow up in a safe, healthy environment, and reduce the chances they will become part of the criminal justice system. This workshop will provide a visual and progressive look at this critical information. All attendees will receive a multimedia tool kit.

***Mr. Craig Pierini***, Program Manager, California Attorney General’s Office, Crime and Violence Prevention Center

### ***II-I Delinquency Drug Court***

Locking up drug abusing youth has proven to be a failed public policy. Juvenile Drug Courts offer an effective alternative to mere incarceration by providing serious drug abusing youth and their families immediate and continuous judicially supervised drug

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treatment. The Superior Court of Los Angeles County's original Juvenile Drug Court, located at Sylmar Juvenile Court, was initiated in 1997 and is a nationally recognized model serving as a mentor court for juvenile courts nationwide. Juvenile Drug Courts utilize a nontraditional collaborative team approach which focuses on early intervention, frequent drug testing, regular and frequent court appearances with individualized, fair consequences all geared to maintaining accountability, rehabilitation, long-term sobriety and a cessation of criminal activity. The members of the drug court team Prosecutor, Defense, treatment, probation, schools and the Judicial Officer, will provide insights and observations from the unique perspectives of each of their disciplines. The effectiveness of innovative treatment modalities will be discussed along with showcasing youth art and writings.

The highlight of the presentation will be several current and past youth participants sharing their lives and experiences before, during and after being a part of the Sylmar Juvenile Drug Court.

**Mr. Phil Swenson**, Deputy Public Defender, Juvenile Drug Court, Office of the Los Angeles County Public Defender

**Hon. Robert J. Totten**, Commissioner, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

### **II-J Holistic Advocacy in Delinquency Court: Social Workers and Resource Specialists Join the Defense Team**

The Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office has implemented an innovative program, the C.A.R.E. Project, which seeks to holistically advocate for the needs of troubled children in the delinquency system.

The C.A.R.E. Project has integrated psychiatric social workers and resource specialist attorneys into the public defender defense team. The addition of these professionals to the defense team has significantly helped to identify and address the serious and long-standing educational and psychosocial problems that often have contributed to delinquent behaviors. The recognition of issues such as mental illness, substance abuse, learning disabilities, and prior sexual or physical abuse is the first step toward adequately meeting the needs of children in the delinquency system. It is also a necessary step towards preventing recidivism.

This workshop will discuss the contribution of the presence of resource specialists and social workers to a paradigm change in juvenile delinquency courtrooms. Slowly, parents, the bench, probation officers, district attorneys, and public defenders are learning in case after case that a child's special education needs, psychiatric history, prior physical abuse, or drug addiction often has had an enormous effect on delinquency behavior. This project represents a bold and effective attempt to think "outside the legal box" in bringing new approaches and solutions to advocate for the needs of troubled children.

**Ms. Janet Fleishman**, Supervising Social Worker, Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office

**Ms. Jennifer Mayer**, JAIBG Project Coordinator, Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office

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### **II-K Vulnerability of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Youth in Foster Care**

This workshop will address the underserved and vulnerable population of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in foster care and the delinquency system. LGBTQ youth are particularly vulnerable to the effects of homophobic prejudice, including verbal harassment and violence by other youth, and/or discrimination by foster parents, group home staff, and service providers. These barriers to LGBTQ youth may contribute to running away from placements, dropping out of school, and using drugs and alcohol. Homophobia harms those beyond LGBTQ youth. Children and youth who are perceived by others as gay or lesbian, or as “effeminate” or “tomboyish” may also suffer unequal treatment, verbal harassment, and violence in foster care. This workshop will address the current experiences of this population and the current resources and policies of the Department of Children and Family Services. Also discussed will be the recommendations for improving the system and fostering an environment of safety and non-discrimination.

**Moderator: Ms. Loretta C. Amaro, M.A.,** *Reaching Adolescents & Youth in Need (RAYN) Program, Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Center*

**Ms. Martha Matthews,** *American Civil Liberties Union, Los Angeles*

**Mr. Michael J. Ferrera, M.A.,** *Deputy Director of Public Policy, Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, Los Angeles*

**Ms. Rachel White,** *Chief Administrative Officer, Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, Los Angeles*

**Youth,** *To be announced*

### **4:00–5:30 p.m. Workshop Session III**

#### **III-A Juvenile Case Law and Legislation Update** (Repeated at VI-B)

This workshop will provide an update of recent case law and legislation related to the juvenile court, focusing primarily on dependency law.

**Hon. Patricia Bresee,** *Commissioner (Ret.), Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo*

#### **III-B Understanding the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)**

This workshop will provide an overview of the history and substance of the Indian Child Welfare Act.

**Hon. William A. Thorne III,** *Justice of the Third District Court, Utah*

#### **III-C From Frustration to Graduation: A Court-Based Approach to Truancy Prevention**

There is perhaps no greater frustration for the juvenile court judge than the issue of truancy. While truancy is a strong risk factor for future delinquent and adult criminal behavior, court strategies such as ordering a child to return to school, issuing a contempt citation, fining or jailing parents, and even suspending children for not attending school are not effective means of prevention. This session will address an approach to court-based truancy prevention that is effective, is supported by the U.S. Departments of Education and Justice, and is being replicated in many juvenile courts throughout the United States.

**Hon. Joan Byer,** *Judge, Jefferson Family Court, Louisville, Kentucky*

**Mr. Jeffrey Kuhn,** *President, Family Justice Strategies, LLC, Leesburg, Virginia*

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### **III-D *Victims in Juvenile Court***

This workshop will address how juvenile court can be more aware of and responsive to victims' issues and concerns including restitution, victim allocation, court scheduling, and special considerations for child victims.

**Mr. Harold Boscovich**, Director, District Attorney's Office, Victim-Witness Assistance Division, Alameda County

**Hon. Lois Haight**, Presiding Judge, Juvenile Court, Superior Court of California, County of Contra Costa

### **III-E *Reducing Recidivism: The Washington State Juvenile Rehabilitation Integrated Treatment Model***

Beginning in 2001, the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration (JRA) developed an expanded skill-based treatment model using research-based programs proven to effectively reduce recidivism. This new focus, the *Integrated Treatment Model*, is now used throughout JRA's continuum of care and is based on cognitive behavioral principles and family-focused aftercare services.

**Ms. Cheryl Stephani**, Assistant Secretary, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

### **III-F *Child Welfare Services Redesign: Fairness and Equity***

A central premise of the redesign of child welfare services (CWS) is that children and families who are similarly situated will be similarly engaged, supported, and served in a fair and equitable manner. Recommendations will be discussed regarding how fairness and equity is addressed at each CWS decision point to avoid further disproportionality.

**Ms. Robin Allen**, Executive Director, California CASA Association

**Ms. Miryam Choca**, M.A., Casey Family Programs, San Diego

**Dr. Sherrill Clark**, Research Specialist, California Social Work Education Center, University of California, at Berkeley

**Hon. Alice Lytle**, Judge(Ret.), Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento

### **III-G *Gangs: Not Being Right, But Being Consistent***

Learn about gangs, their influence from the inner city to suburbia and in rural America. Learn about ways to identify and combat the problem. The workshop includes a discussion of graffiti, clothing, and the influence of rap music, movies, and TV. Mr. Robinson will share his experiences in working for the Los Angeles County Probation Department's specialized gang unit.

**Mr. Robby Robinson**, Deputy Probation Officer II, Specialized Gang Unit, Los Angeles County Probation Department

### **III-H *Child Maltreatment and Domestic Violence: Effective Interventions***



This workshop will focus on the intersection of domestic violence and child maltreatment within the child protection (dependency) court. It will address the best practices developed in Santa Clara and San Francisco Counties as a result of their work as federal sites for Greenbook implementation. The learning objectives are to incorporate best practices for dealing with child protection cases involving domestic violence and to

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develop policies and practices for treating children who have been exposed to domestic violence.

**Hon. Leonard P. Edwards**, Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara;  
Immediate Past President, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

### **III-I The Fundamentals of Juvenile Mental Health Court** ❖

Juvenile mental health courts are a modern approach to mental health diagnosis, triage, and treatment services for youth and families who come in contact with the justice system as a result of the combination of serious mental illness and juvenile delinquency. This workshop presents the court's rationale and protocols.

**Moderator: Mr. Kurt Kumli**, Supervising Deputy District Attorney, Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office; Judicial Council Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee

**Dr. David E. Arredondo**, Medical Director, EMQ Children and Family Services, Campbell

**Hon. Raymond J. Davilla, Jr.**, Judge, Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara

**Ms. Nancy Ramseyer**, Deputy Public Defender III, Los Angeles County

### **III-J Raising the Level of Awareness Regarding the Connection between Child Maltreatment and Juvenile Delinquency**

There is a growing body of research regarding the connection between child maltreatment and juvenile delinquency. This workshop will focus on current data trends, recent federal legislation, programs and practices that collaboratively serve the juvenile justice and child maltreatment populations and the targeted efforts of the Child Welfare League of America Juvenile Justice Division.

**Ms. Christy Sharp**, Program Manager, Child Welfare League of America, Juvenile Justice Division

### **III-K Juvenile Court: A View From the Legislature**

This panel will address the legislative policymaking process that affects the juvenile court and the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Legislative mandates provide the structure within which these systems operate, and the panel is designed to provide insight into the particular concerns and institutional challenges for the legislative branch as it grapples with juvenile court issues and seeks to improve outcomes for children and families. The discussion will include recent bills related to the juvenile court and upcoming policy directions.

**Hon. Ellen Corbett**, Chair, California Assembly Judiciary Committee

**Ms. Tracy Kenny**, AOC Office of Governmental Affairs